



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Alfred BUBIK et al.

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AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.114

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Sir:

Responsive to the Final Office Action of November 4, 2003, the amendment is a submission concurrently filed with a Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. 1.114. Moreover, the period for responding to the final Office Action has been extended one month, i.e., from February 4, 2004 to March 4, 2004, to ensure timely filing of the Request for Continued Examination and the instant submission. Accordingly, reconsideration of this action and allowance of all the claims of the present application are respectfully requested and are now believed appropriate in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 13 this paper.